

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Abstract on page 34 of the Specification as filed to read as follows:

~~A method and device for administration of an immunomodulatory substance into the skin.~~ The present invention relates to a method of administering α -interferon into the intradermal compartment of a subject's skin, whereby absorption in the dermis produces improved systemic pharmacokinetics compared to subcutaneous administration. The present invention provides an improved method of delivery in that it provides among other benefits, rapid systemic distribution of α -interferon, rapid onset of the effects of α -interferon, improved bioavailability of α -interferon, and improved maximum concentrations of α -interferon. Methods of the invention are particularly useful in removal of the physical or kinetic barriers invoked when drugs pass through and become trapped in cutaneous tissue compartments prior to systemic absorption.